

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## 2020 GENERAL ELECTION POST-ELECTION MANUAL BALLOT TABULATION AUDIT NOTICE

State law requires that election officials manually audit a sample of voted ballots. This audit must be performed after each General Election.

The Montgomery County Board of Elections will conduct the manual ballot audit of the 2020 General Election starting on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 10:00 AM. This audit will continue daily until completed at the Montgomery County Board of Elections, located at 18753 N. Frederick Avenue, Suite 210, Gaithersburg, MD 20871.

The Montgomery County Board of Elections will manually tally a sample of votes cast for the Office of President and Vice President and compare the results of the manual tally against the results from the voting system. This process will verify that the voting system accurately counted ballots during the 2020 General Election.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the public can observe this process by livestream from a link available on the Board of Elections website at www.777vote.org. In-person observation is limited and by appointment only. Interested individuals may reserve a two-hour slot using the 2020 Presidential General Election Manual Audit Appointment Booking System at www.777vote.org. Masks are required and social distancing requirements must be strictly observed.

For other election information, call 240-777- VOTE, visit www.777vote.org, the Maryland State Board of Elections' website at http://elections.maryland.gov, or follow the Montgomery County Board of Elections on Facebook or Twitter.

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